

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) 1. A hand wallet, comprising; a flexible base with a means for securing the base to a user's [extremity] hand such that the user's fingers are exposed; and a first storage pocket mounted on the outer surface of said base.

2. (Original) The hand wallet as set forth in claim 1 wherein the flexible base is secured to the user's extremity by use of a strap comprised of two elongate straps which are connected when secured.

3. (Original) The hand wallet as set forth in claim 2 wherein the two elongate straps are connected by hook and loop fastener when secured.

4. (Original) The hand wallet as set forth in claim 1 wherein the flexible base is secured to the user's extremity by use of a zipper.

5. (Original) The hand wallet as set forth in claim 1 wherein the first storage pocket further includes a means to expand in a vertical direction away from the base.

6. (Original) The hand wallet as set forth in claim 1 wherein the first storage pocket further includes a closure means to close the first storage pocket.

7. (Original) The hand wallet as set forth in claim 6 wherein the closure means to close the first storage pocket is selected from the group consisting of a zipper and hook and loop fastener.

8. (Original) The hand wallet as set forth in claim 1, further comprising: a protective flap which covers the first storage pocket; and a fastening means to fasten the protective flap to the base over the first storage pocket.

9. (Original) The hand wallet as set forth in claim 8 wherein the fastening means is selected from the group consisting of a zipper and hook and loop fastener.

10. (Original) The hand wallet as set forth in claim 1 wherein the first storage pocket extends around the periphery of the base.

11. (Original) The hand wallet as set forth in claim 10 wherein the first storage pocket is adapted to accept a drinking bladder and the first storage pocket further includes an opening through which a fluid stored in the drinking bladder can be removed.

12. (Original) The hand wallet as set forth in claim 10 wherein the first storage pocket is adapted to accept a weight.

13. (Original) The hand wallet as set forth in claim 1 further comprising: a second storage pocket mounted on the outer surface of said base.

14. (Original) The hand wallet as set forth in claim 13 wherein the second storage pocket is mounted on the outer surface of said base at a location opposite to the first storage pocket.

15. (Original) The hand wallet as set forth in claim 13 wherein the second storage pocket further includes an expansion means to expand away from the base.

16. (Original) The hand wallet as set forth in claim 15 wherein the expansion means is an elastic panel incorporated into the second storage pocket.

17. (Original) The hand wallet as set forth in claim 13 wherein the second storage pocket further comprises a restraining means for retaining an item within the second storage pocket.

18. (Currently Amended) A hand wallet, comprising; a flexible base with a means for securing the base to a user's hand such that the user's fingers are exposed; a first storage pocket mounted on the outer surface of said base and configured to be located on the back of the user's hand when secured; a protective flap which covers the first storage pocket; a fastening means to

fasten the protective flap to the base over the first storage pocket; and a second storage pocket mounted on the outer surface of said base and configured to be located on the palm side of the user's hand when secured.

19. (Original) The hand wallet as set forth in claim 18 wherein the first storage pocket further includes a means to expand away from the base and the second storage pocket further includes a means to expand away from the base.

20. (Currently Amended) A hand wallet, comprising; a flexible base with a means for securing the base to a user's hand such that the user's fingers are exposed; and a first storage pocket mounted on the outer surface of said base wherein the first storage pocket extends around the periphery of the base; the first storage pocket is adapted to accept a drinking bladder; and the first storage pocket further includes an opening through which a fluid stored in the drinking bladder can be removed.